

National American Indian Heritage Month Resources

In 1990 President George Bush approved a joint resolution designating November 1990 "National American Indian Heritage Month." Similar proclamations have been issued each year since 1994.

Websites You May Want to Visit

InfoPlease

http://www.infoplease.com/spot/aihm1.html

Tennessee Indian Tribes

http://www.accessgenealogy.com/native/tennessee/

Native Americans

http://www.nativeamericans.com/

Books You May Want to Read (Hint: go to the TEL Database, **What Do I Read Next** and choose to do a Custom Search. Under Subject, choose Indians of North America and then hit Search.)

Fiction

Waterless Mountain by Laura Adams Armer

Younger Brother, a Navajo Indian boy, learns about his own heritage and the beauty of nature, and is in training with his uncle for the office of Medicine Priest.

The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses by Paul Goble

After becoming lost in a storm, a young Indian girl joins and lives with a herd of wild horses until finally, she becomes one herself.

Dawn Rider by Jan Hudson

As a young Blackfoot woman, Kit Fox is restricted from many activities, including learning to ride the tribe's one wild horse.

Moonsong Lullaby by Jamake Highwater and Marcia Keegan

A gentle night poem involving animals, plants and Native American culture.

The Rough-Face Girl by Rafe Martin, David Shannon

In this Algonquin Indian version of the Cinderella story, two domineering sisters set out to marry the "rich, powerful, and supposedly handsome" Invisible Being, first having to prove that they can see him.

The Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare

Left alone to guard the family's wilderness home in eighteenth-century Maine, a boy is hard-pressed to survive until local Indians teach him their skills.

Non-Fiction

Atlas of the North American Indian by Carl Waldman

Summarizes Indian prehistory, cultural patterns, contacts with Europeans, military events, and contemporary life.



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Indian Corn and Other Gifts by Sigmund Lavine

Facts, myths, legends and superstitions about corn, peppers, peanuts, potatoes, pumpkins and other foods given to the world by the Indians of North and South America.

The Trail of Tears by R. Conrad Stein

Describes the Federal government's seizure of Cherokee lands in Georgia and the forced migration of the Cherokee Nation to Oklahoma along the route that came to be known as the Trail of Tears

The First Americans: Tribes of North America by Jane Werner Watson

Introduces the way of life of the various groups of Native Americans before the arrival of the white man.

American Indian Myths and Legends by Richard Erdoes, Alfonso Ortiz

160 tales from 80 tribal groups to offer a rich and lively panorama of the Native American mythic heritage.

Tennessee Native American Information on the Web

State Library and Archives: Suggestions for Native American Research (Cherokee) http://www.state.tn.us/sos/statelib/pubsvs/cherokee.htm

McClung Museum: Archaeology and the Native Peoples of Tennessee http://mcclungmuseum.utk.edu/permex/archaeol/archaeol.htm

Tennesee Native American Indian & Related Organizations http://cita.chattanooga.org/TNNAorgs.html

To Find More Native American Information

In TEL, go to Kids InfoBits or Junior Edition - K12 and use the following search strategies:

Native American	American Indian	Indigenous People	Indian Tribe
Indians of North America	Bureau of Indian Affairs	Inuit	Choctaw
Pueblo	Apache	Iroquois	Navajo
Creek	Blackfoot	Cherokee	Chippewa
Eskimo	Sioux	Trail of Tears	